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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Andersson et al.

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COMMUNICATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the restriction requirement mailed October 22, 2003, applicants elect, without traverse, the claims of Group I (*i.e.*, claims 1-9) drawn to a method for selecting a domestic animal having a desired phenotype. Applicants further note the filing of a preliminary amendment on June 15, 2001, which was not noted in the restriction requirement. The preliminary amendment amended various claims and added new claims 28-38 not referred to in the restriction requirement. Since newly added claims 36-38 depend, directly or indirectly, from claim 1, applicants request that claims 36-38 be included in Group I.

Substantive examination of the application is requested.



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CONCLUSION

If questions exist after consideration of the foregoing, the Office is kindly requested to contact the applicants' representative at the address or telephone number below.

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